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TORRANCE NOTES

Mrs. James T. Wise visited with old Muncie, Ind., friends in Los Angeles Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles Stock of Vista Highlands was a business visitor to Los Angeles Wednesday.

Mrs. George D. Watson of Andreo avenue visited in Los Angeles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brennan of Portola avenue were business visitors in Los Angeles Friday.

J. W. Cufley has purchased a house recently completed on Plaza del Amo and expects to move into it soon.

Mrs. F. O. Miller of Los Angeles was a dinner guest of Mrs. Harry Pennington of Torrance Park Wednesday.

G. A. R. Steiner of Amapola avenue has purchased a home at Redondo Beach and expects to move his family there soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beal of 1743 Gramercy avenue motored to Los Angeles one day last week to visit friends from Pittsburgh, Pa.

The art class of the high school, with Miss Chase, the teacher, visited the art exhibit at the Gardena high school Wednesday.

Live Where You Work, Big Saving

The industrial development of our harbor district will be retarded unless the building of homes for workers is speeded up, according to Fred L. Baker, who claims that the home-building activity noticed during the past few months in the communities bordering upon the harbor district will have to be carried out on a much larger scale to meet today's demand and to give to the large employers of labor in our permanent industries, the support which they have a right to expect from the communities that are being benefited through their enterprise.

"Real estate values are directly increased by industrial developments which result in increased pay rolls," said Mr. Baker. "The owners of such real estate, however, must assist the men who are increasing their property values by bringing new industries. It is their part of the work to help the large employers of labor to secure the best class of workmen by providing the home living conditions which such workmen demand.

"When suitable housing facilities are not available the industries that are already established suffer and new industries seek other locations where living conditions for the workers are more favorable.

"In order that those who make a business of home-building may have some facts upon which to base their plans of operation, I have recently had a survey made of the shipyard workers of the Los Angeles yard, showing each man's place of residence, age, nationality and whether married or single.

"This survey only covers men employed in the work of an established industry and does not include those engaged in new plant construction. I think, therefore, that it may be taken as fairly indicative of the general labor situation in all well established industries of our harbor district.

"From the figures prepared for me I find that of the 2479 shipyard workers employed upon the date the survey was made, 38.08 per cent were married; 65.71 per cent were American; 14.40 per cent were 20 years or under; 45.42 per cent were between the ages of 21 and 30; 24.04 per cent were from 31 to 40 years of age; 11.62 per cent were from 41 to 50 years of age and 4.52 per cent were 51 years or over.

The places of residence given were as follows: 17.47 per cent lived in Long Beach; 16.14 per cent in Los Angeles; 4.07 per cent in Redondo and the beach cities; 56.56 per cent in San Pedro; and 5.76 per cent in Wilmington.

"The survey showed a total of 944 married men. Of these only 449 lived in San Pedro and 71 in Wilmington. The balance was distributed, 53 in Redondo and beach cities, 192 in Long Beach and 179 in Los Angeles.

"It is safe to say that among those of the married workers now obliged to live a long distance from their work, as well as among the young men contemplating getting married, the communities lying close around the harbor industrial district, would find the very best of material for good citizens if they would provide suitable homes that the men could buy or rent.

"Largely through the phenomenal growth of the local oil industry vast strides are being made in our general industrial development. Every large employer of permanent labor is experiencing the same difficulty in securing the men he wants because of the serious lack of good home-living facilities. Unless the living conditions keep pace with the working conditions, the goose that is laying the golden eggs for the direct benefit of the property owners of the great harbor industrial district will be either strangled or killed outright. Comfortable homes must be provided which permanently employed self-respecting workmen can buy or rent and of course there must also be schools, churches, and those community facilities which the modern American family expects and which every well balanced community should have.

"The future of the various harbor communities depends upon the degree in which each will prepare today to attract the married working men who can get a good permanent job close by.

"Pay rolls are mounting fast. A big pay roll town means prosperity for its merchants and profit for its property holders. Industries already established are growing fast and new ones are constantly looking for locations. The communities that show the most helpful spirit in providing the needed housing facilities for the fast growing army of workers will very rapidly outstrip those that fail to recognize the permanent character of our growth and to provide for its needs.

There is a vast difference between a town full of rooming and boarding houses for young unmarried workmen and that which is built up with homes of permanently employed married men with families. Among the first class the



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The trouble with more than one man is he uses the church as a fire escape—a thing to climb to safety on in case of an emergency.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING TO STOCKHOLDERS

To consider a proposal to increase Capital Stock.

Notice is hereby given that at a regularly called, noticed and held meeting of the Board of Directors of the State Bank of Lomita, a Corporation, having its principal place of business at Lomita, County of Los Angeles, State of California, held at the office and principal place of business of said Corporation on Tuesday, the 27th day of February, 1923, a full quorum of said Board being present, a resolution was duly and unanimously adopted, calling a special meeting of the Stockholders of said Corporation to be held on Tuesday, the 15th day of May, A. D., 1923, at the hour of two o'clock P. M. of that date, in the Directors' room in the Banking Rooms of said Corporation at Lomita, in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, the same being the principal place of business of said Corporation, and being the place and building where the Board of Directors of said Corporation usually meets, for the purpose of considering and acting upon each and all of the following separate propositions:

(a) To increase the amount of the Capital Stock of this Corporation from Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) divided into Two Hundred-fifty (250) Shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each, to One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) divided into One Thousand (1000) Shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each; all of said Stock to be Common Stock.

(b) To consider and act upon any and such other business which may come before said meeting. Dated this 27th day of February, A. D., 1923, at Lomita, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

H. V. ADAMS,

Secretary of the State Bank of Lomita.

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